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The Gray Barker book "They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers" is already proving to be the most controversial saucer book yet written. Some of the alleged "hush-ups" described therein have been over-dramatized. For example, Barker's comments about Elliott Rockmore, former editor of "Flying Saucer Review", are misleading. Rockmore's disappearance from the saucer scene was caused by a combination of two factors: First, lack of funds to continue publication of his "Review"; and second (and more important), a psychological deterioration resulting from talks with a well-meaning former Army Intelligence officer. This officer's only purpose was to warn Rockmore about possible Communist interest in the saucer question. I know the inside story on this, as I have had several talks with the same Intelligence officer.

Barker's comments about me in "They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers" are largely misleading and, in parts, untrue. In reference to Barker's description of the alleged "hush-up" of Edgar R. Jerrold, former head of the Australian Flying Saucer Bureau, I quote in part a recent letter from a British correspondent of mine: "I had a letter from Fred Stone of the Australian Flying Saucer Research Society, and he seems pretty steamed up over Gray's book. Apparently, he had placed his files on the Jerrold affair at Gray Barker's disposal and was horrified to see (from the publisher's blurb) that Gray had written it up as another 'closing down' case, whereas, in fact, Jerrold had thrown in his hand when the work got to be too much for him, and had, incidentally, bilked scores of subscribers out of their subscriptions."

However, Barker's information on the "Bender Case" (alleged "hush-up" of Al Bender of Bridgeport, Conn.) is very good. Also, he presents a good account of the "hush-up" of a man living outside the United States whom he calls by the pseudonym of "Smallwood". "Smallwood" claims to have found a saucer fragment and to have been visited and threatened as a result. I have corresponded extensively with "Smallwood" myself, and feel his story to be true.

But here's something that even Barker won't know till he reads this Newsletter: It concerns Dominick Lucchesi, one of the insiders on the "Bender Case", and one of the two men to whom "They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers" is dedicated. LUCCHESI HAS ALSO BEEN "HUSHED UP"! This occurred in March. Lucchesi, while on his way home from work one night, was stopped by two men who presented "authorized credentials", and who questioned him for over two hours.

Yes, Barker's book may not be as accurate as it should be, but these "hush-ups" are going on. Perhaps yours truly will be next!

SAUCER BRIEFS: - We hear that Truman Betherum, author of "Aboard A Flying Saucer", now claims to have been 170,000 miles up into outer space in a saucer. But Adamski is still ahead of him!.....A California man recently claimed to have been "hushed up" by eleven men. Usually it only takes two or three to do the job.....Further information has reached us concerning the feud between George Williamson (author of several saucer books) and Dick Miller, a California lecturer. The two were together in Prescott, Arizona, during the early days of Williamson's Telonic Research Center there, but soon quarreled seriously and separated. I don't know Miller personally, and I never thought I'd find myself in agreement with Williamson on anything; but according to the information I have recently received, Miller seems to have been involved in a number of dubious and downright dishonest activities. Williamson has all the details, together with the names and addresses of several people who can confirm his version of this dispute.

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